

Manager's Newsletter

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Beach NourishmentWhere are we going from here?

A letter from Town Manager, John Stockton

I have had several calls from property owners in Kitty Hawk about what is the status of beach nourishment and where are we going from here.

At the present time the Town Council has agreed to work with Dare County, the Town of Kill Devil Hills, and the Town of Duck to proceed with the beach nourishment project. This means that the Town will benefit to the sum of over \$13 million from Dare County for the project. The County will pay the Town's up-front costs for the project and also help with debt service estimated to be around \$3.9 million.

One of the most common questions that I am asked is "How much will property owners pay?" In order to pay for the Town's anticipated share of the project, it is currently estimated that a new tax of about 7.82 cents per \$100 valuation will be necessary to pay for the Town's debt service. This is an average tax amount and will probably be proportioned to areas of the Town that are most benefited from the project. For



example, you could have the area from US 158 East pay more than the area that encompasses the village. Special tax districts called Municipal Service Districts will be established once we have a better estimate of cost of the project. The Municipal Service Districts will be determined after Public Hearings are held and any tax associated with the Municipal Service Districts will be discussed as a part of a Public Hearing during the annual budget. A tax rate will be set for the Districts in order to collect revenue to pay for debt service incurred as a result of the project. The Municipal Service District tax will probably not be considered until 2016 upon completion of the project design and permitting process.

Even though the additional tax is some two years away, people are wondering how a new tax would be calculated on their property. It is difficult to estimate the exact tax that would be needed at this time, but for illustrative purposes, taxes are

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calculated as follows: The present Town tax rate is 30 cents per \$100 valuation. To give an example, a person with a \$300,000 home presently pays \$300,000/ 100 X .30 which equals \$900 per year in Town taxes. For the same property, if you add a 13 cent tax, then the additional cost per year would be \$300,000/100 X .13 = \$390 per year or an additional \$32.50 per month. A 3 cent tax on a \$300,000 home would equate to \$300,000/100 X .03= \$90 per year or \$7.50 per month. So what happens next? Since we are getting financial help from the County and coordinating with other Towns, we will be working with our consultant to begin the design and permitting process for the project. If everything goes according to plan we are possibly looking at being under construction by 2016. Once the design and permitting process portion of the project is complete, we will begin to advertise for the Municipal Service Districts and setting a tax rate for the districts at that time. Currently this is estimated to also take place in 2016.

For additional information, please visit the Town's web site at www.townofkittyhawk.org. The Town's web site is linked to the Town's YouTube Channel and the Government Channel 20 on Charter Cable. Follow the tab "Kitty Hawk News Online" to access the two sites. You can also contact us at Town Hall at 252-261-3552 or via email at info@kittyhawktown.net.

Town Calendar

Town Council Meeting—

Monday, November 4, 2013, 6:00 PM

Broadcast of Council Meeting, Charter Cable Channel 20— Thursday, November 7, 2013 and Sunday, November 10, 2013 at 1:00 and 7:00 pm

Free Flu Shot Clinic—Thursday, November 7, 2013 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm; Town Hall

Town Offices Closed—Veterans Day Holiday

Monday, November 11, 2013



Next Town Council Meeting—Monday, November 4, 2013 at 6:00 PM

Proposed agenda items include:

- 2012-13 Fiscal Year Audit Report
- Call for Public Hearing to discuss and application to amend Town Code by permitting call centers in the BC-1, BC-2, BC-3, VC-2 and VC-3 zoning districts and establishing minimum parking standards for call centers.
- Nomination of three names to Dare County for Tourism Board Appointment in December
- Amendment to Section 8-1 of the Town Code—Referencing the Adoption of all Applicable Building Codes and Appendices

Kitty Hawk



HOSPITAL Free Flu Clinic

It's not too late! Protect yourself and those around you by getting your flu shot.



The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. It kills more than 35,000 people in the U.S. each year. Some people, such as older people, young children, and people with certain health conditions, are at high risk for serious flu complications. The best way to prevent the flu is by getting vaccinated each year.

- Kitty Hawk Town Hall, Kitty Hawk
- Thursday, November 7th2pm to 4pm
- Free Flu Vaccinations for Adults 18+



Kitty Hawk Bath House is Closed for the Season

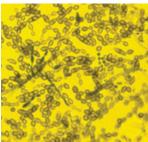


Veteran's Day Holiday Trash Schedule

Trash Pick up will take place on Tuesday, November 12 and Thursday, November 14. There will be no residential trash pick up on Monday, November 11.

A Brief Guide To Mold and Moisture Clean Up

These tips and techniques will help you clean up your mold problem. Professional cleaners or remediators may use other methods. Please note that mold may cause staining and cosmetic damage. It may not be possible to clean an item so that its original appearance is restored.



Magnified Mold Spores

- Fix plumbing leaks and other water problems as soon as possible. Dry all items completely.
- Scrub mold off hard surfaces with detergent and water, and dry completely.
- Absorbent or porous materials, such as ceiling tiles and carpet, may have to be thrown away if they become moldy. Mold can grow on or fill in the empty spaces and crevices of porous materials, so the mold may be difficult or impossible to remove completely.
- Avoid exposing yourself or others to mold. It is important to take precautions to LIMIT YOUR EXPOSURE to mold and mold spores.
- Avoid breathing in mold or mold spores. In order to limit your exposure to airborne mold, you may want to wear an N-95 respirator, available at many hardware stores and from companies that advertise on the Internet. (They cost about \$12 to \$25.)
- Wear gloves. Long gloves that extend to the middle of the forearm are recommended. When
 working with water and a mild detergent, ordinary household rubber gloves may be used. If you
 are using a disinfectant, a biocide such as chlorine bleach, or a strong cleaning solution, you
 should select gloves made from natural rubber, neoprene, nitrile, polyurethane, or PVC. Avoid
 touching mold or moldy items with your bare hands.
- **Wear goggles.** Goggles that do not have ventilation holes are recommended. Avoid getting mold or mold spores in your eyes.
- Do not paint or caulk moldy surfaces. Clean up the mold and dry the surfaces before painting. Paint applied over moldy surfaces is likely to peel.

If you are unsure about how to clean an item, or if the item is expensive or of sentimental value, you may wish to consult a specialist. Specialists in furniture repair, restoration, painting, art restoration and conservation, carpet and rug cleaning, water damage, and fire or water restoration are commonly listed in phone books. Be sure to ask for and check references. Look for specialists who are affiliated with professional organizations.

BATHROOM TIP

Places that are often or always damp can be hard to maintain completely free of mold. If there's some mold in the shower or elsewhere in the bathroom that seems to reappear, increasing ventilation (running a fan or opening a window) and cleaning more frequently will usually prevent mold from recurring, or at least keep the mold to a minimum.

Nixle Community Alert System

Neighborhood-level public safety & community information sent directly to your cell phone & email

Register Now at www.nixle.com



The Kitty Hawk Police Department has begun utilizing a new service to access important, valuable community information when you need it, using the latest technology. Our agency will create and publish messages through the Nixle Community Information Service. Nixle will then deliver this information to you instantly via text, email and/or web message. Notifications can also be accessed online at Nixle's web site at www.nixle.com. The service is secure, reliable and easy for our group to use. YOU decide what information you want and whether you want it sent to

your cell phone, email, or just simply over the web. Please register now at the company's main web site: www.nixle.com. There you can also access their Frequently Asked Questions. New communication forms continue to evolve and we believe this service will allow us to keep you informed in the most convenient, reliable way possible.

Going Out of Town For the Holidays? Ensure Your Peace of Mind with a Residence Check

The Kitty Hawk Police Department Patrol Division provides residential security checks for any year round resident while they are out of town. A uniformed Patrol Officer will inspect the residence at least once in a 24-hour period. The officer will complete a residence check form after each inspection of the residence, and any abnormality discovered will be recorded and the resident will be notified as necessary. The duration of this service is limited to 2 weeks.



If you are planning a vacation and would like a security check of your home, you can contact the Police Department at (252) 261-3895 or administrationpd@kittyhawktown.net



Congratulations to
Sergeant Jeff Wiggins,
who was recently recognized for
10 years of service with the Town.

Fire Prevention Week Observance

Thank you to everyone who attended our Open House on Saturday, October 5. Our firefighters were busy during Fire Prevention Week visiting schools and educating our children about fire safety. We hope that all residents will practice fire safety in their homes, especially in the kitchen. If you have questions or need help with your smoke alarms, please call us at 252-261-2666.

Fire Department Personnel News

Since August 2013, three volunteers have joined the department: Jason Cowan, Chris Dixon, and Ryan Bradley – all residents of Kitty Hawk. We welcome our newest members.

Kitty Hawk Fire Department Emergency Calls – September 2013

During the month of September 2013, there were 38 calls for emergency service. The breakdown is as follows:

Assist invalid	3
Authorized/controlled burning	1
Automatic/mutual aid	3
Dispatched & cancelled en route	1
False alarm or false call	1
Medical calls	18
Accident, potential accident, other (road debris)	1
Gas Leak (natural gas or LPG)	1
Heat from short circuit (wiring, defective/worn)	1
Motor vehicle accident with injuries	1
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	5
Surf rescue	1
Wrong location	1



Crunched for Time? Need to Know What is Happening In Your Town?

Catch the Town Manager's Monthly Video Message at your convenience on YOU TUBE, for a quick update of Council decisions, Town happenings and news. Follow the link below:



http://www.youtube.com/user/TownofKittyHawk?feature=watch

Kitty Hawk Fire Department is Recruiting Volunteers Incentives Available Call 252-261-2666 for more information.



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